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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE –
EXAMINING GROUP 1641**

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Attorney Docket No.: 02558B-063100US

Client Ref. No.: BRP00064

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Michael I. Watkins et al.

Application No.: 09/548,883

Filed: April 13, 2000

For: MULTI-ANALYTE DIAGNOSTIC
TEST FOR THYROID DISORDERS

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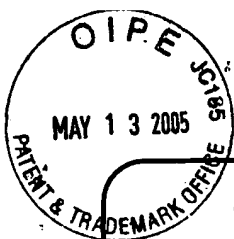
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